stitution of North Carolina, and Chapter eighty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, and of the office of Commissioner of Welfare established thereunder, are not hereby abridged. The powers and duties herein given shall be in addition to those heretofore exercised under existing law; and the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, through the Commissioner of Welfare as the executive head of the department, is hereby empowered to organize the department into such bureaus and divisions as may be deemed advisable, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, in order that the work of the entire department shall be co-ordinated on an efficiency basis and duplication of effort may be avoided.

State Board of Charities and Public Welfare; powers and duties. Supervision.

- Sec. 13. Certain Powers and Duties of State Board of Charities and Public Welfare. The State Board shall:
- (a) Supervise the administration of assistance to the needy aged under this Act by the county boards;

Rules and regulations.

(b) Make such rules and regulations and take such action as may be necessary or desirable for carrying out the provisions of this Act. All rules and regulations made by the State Board shall be binding on the counties and shall be complied with by the respective boards of county commissioners and County Boards of Welfare;

Minimum standards.

(e) Establish minimum standards for personnel employed by the State and county boards in the administration of this Act, and make necessary rules and regulations to maintain such standards;

Forms.

(d) Prescribe the form of and print and supply to the county boards and agencies such forms as it may deem necessary and advisable:

Co-operation with Federal Government.

(e) Co-operate with the Federal Government in matters of mutual concern pertaining to assistance to the needy aged, including the adoption of such methods of administration as are found by the Federal Government to be necessary for the efficient operation of the plan for such assistance;

Reports and information.

(f) Make such reports, in such form and containing such information, as the Federal Government may from time to time require, and comply with such provisions as the Federal Government may from time to time find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports;

Publication of reports.

(g) Publish an annual report and such interim reports as may be necessary.

County Boards of Welfare. Powers and duties. SEC. 14. Certain Powers and Duties of Local Boards—County Welfare Boards. The County Boards of Welfare shall perform the duties herein required of them with relation to the administration of this Act in the several counties, under the supervision and direction of the State Board, and in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by said State Board.